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'AND SOME GAVE ALL'

Hancock firefighters dedicate monument to fallen heroes



Members of the Hancock County Firefighters Association on Sunday were joined by family, friends and local officials as they dedicated a monument to those who fall in the line of duty, including Norman Rester and Carl Olsen.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
NEWS EDITOR

Hancock County-area firefighters on Sunday honored two of their own who died in the line of duty, dedicating a memorial in their honor at the Hancock Emergency Operations Center in Kiln.

Norman Rester of the Leetown Volunteer Fire Department died on Jan. 5, 1998; Carl Olsen, from the Kiln Volunteer Fire Department, died exactly one year later, on Jan. 5, 1999. Rester was killed at the scene of a car accident while directing traffic; Olsen was killed while loading water onto a fire engine.

"All the tributes to Norman and Carl are small in comparison to their

sacrifice," David Garcia said in his speech at the dedication. "Firefighting is a very unique profession. Not many people know what we do, or why we do it. Norman and Carl, they knew -- a strong desire to help people, and their brother and sister firefighters, no matter the reason. It's our way of life."

"What we memorialize today is their bravery, we memorialize their courage, their adherence to duty and their sense of honor. We do so, so others in our community can be inspired by their acts of uncommon valor."

Garcia served as Waveland's fire chief from 1986 until 2010, when he stepped down to become mayor of the city. He said he and Doyle Ladner first started the effort to

honor their fallen brothers long before Hurricane Katrina, but the storm and subsequent rebuilding effort delayed their plans.

Chassity and Chris Ladner, both of the Leetown Volunteer Fire Department; and Hancock Emergency Management Director Brian "Hooty" Adam helped get the project back on track, Garcia said.

"I feel it's an honor to have this in the county," Hancock Firefighters Association Vice-President Chassity Ladner said Tuesday, "not only to honor the fallen firefighters, but it's an honor (to us) to do this for their families. ... It's there for the county, to be seen by the county, and I just hope we stop it here with only two

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Man arrested for 4th DUI after hit-and-run accident

Two juveniles also found riding in suspect's vehicle during incident

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Bay St. Louis Deputy Police Chief Alvin Kingston on Monday announced the arrest of 55-year-old Gerald Bernard Banks for felony DUI, 4th; and leaving the scene of an automobile accident.

On Jan. 6 at 5:53 p.m., Bay St. Louis police officers responded to Highway 603 and Kiln-Waveland Cutoff Road in response to a hit-and-run automobile accident, according to a Bay PD release.

During their investigation, officers learned that Banks was involved in the two-car accident and had fled the scene, Kingston said in the release.

Officers located Banks on Washington Street. Banks failed to stop when officers utilized patrol lights and sirens, the release states.

Banks then stopped at a residence in the 600 block of Union Street where officers took him



Gerald Bernard Banks

into custody, Kingston said in the release.

In addition to DUI, 4th and leaving the scene of an accident Banks was also charged with failure to stop for police and DUI child endangerment for having two juveniles -- a two-year-old and an eight-year-old -- in the vehicle.

Banks is being held at the Hancock County jail in lieu of bond, the release states.

TIDES

WEDNESDAY
Low: 9:32 PM
High: 12:15 PM

THURSDAY
Low: 9:39 PM
High: 12:52 PM

FRIDAY
Low: 9:28 PM
High: 1:30 PM

SATURDAY
Low: 8:33 PM
High: 2:02 PM

SUNDAY
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MARDI 'PAWS':

Krewe of Pupseidon gets the fur flying and Carnival rolling

BY GEOFF BELCHER
NEWS EDITOR

The Krewe of Pupseidon is scheduled to kick off the Mississippi Gulf Coast 2018 Mardi Gras parade season this Saturday, Jan. 13, with its annual parade in Diamondhead.

Pupseidon is Hancock County's only all-canine krewe. The theme for this year's parade is "Lassie in the Sky with Diamonds."

The parade itself begins at 1 p.m. at the Diamondhead Country Club. Line-up starts at 12:45 p.m. Everyone is invited to join the group starting at around 11 a.m. for a costume contest, float con-

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King ZippySnit



Queen Hope

ART EXHIBIT

Artist Karli Corr's work will be on display at Bay St. Louis city hall through the month of January.

CELEBRATION AT NEW HOPE

On Jan. 21, at 2:30 p.m., New Hope Baptist Church in Pearlinton will host a celebration commemorating its Pastor Robert Preston and first lady Deloris Preston's six-year church anniversary. The speaker will be Pastor Luther Fairley of Main Street Baptist Church, Biloxi,

SEEKING PARTICIPANTS

Krewe of Diamondhead is seeking parade family friendly, kid throw applicants for the annual parade on Feb. 10. For more, call David Sykes at 949-293-6148 or Sandy Hatem 228-255-9966.

Call us at The Sea Coast Echo, (228) 467-5474 or go to www.seacoastecho.com

Gave all

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names on it."
"We started working on it probably about two years ago," Chassity said. ...

"David led me in the direction we needed to go and myself, Chris Ladner and James Butcher" went full-speed ahead.
"We actually got it completed months ago," Garcia said. "We were just waiting on the proper time to get everybody together to have everybody at the dedica-

tion of it.
We picked this time -- Chassity worked with all the departments and the families to get everybody together."
Garcia said the Hancock County Firefighters Association decided to erect the monument at the EOC because it coordi-

nates all Hancock County fire departments.
The monument features a memorial wall constructed by Hancock Monument Co. made of Kershaw pink granite. It is engraved with a Maltese Cross and the words "Fire and Rescue," which represents courage, dedication, tradition and

sacrifice.
Olsen and Rester's names are included on bronze etched scroll plaques.
The monument also features two bronzed cement statues, one of a firefighter in "turnouts," or protective fire fighting gear; and the other of a firefighter

embracing a small child.
Etched at the bottom of the wall are the names of all of the fire departments serving Hancock County. The bottom of the wall is inscribed with the words "All Give Some, Some Gave All."



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OLA TO HOST entrance test

SEA COAST ECHO
Our Lady Academy (OLA) will be administering an Entrance Test for all sixth and seventh grade girls interested in attending OLA for the 2018-2019 school year on January 20, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. To preregister for the test, parents should return a completed Entrance Test Form located on the OLA website (www.ourladyacademy.com), under Admissions. Complete and return the application with a check for \$12.00 payable to OLA, 222 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, by January 18, 2018. For more information, contact OLA at 228-467-7048, extension 105.

2018 OUTSTANDING CITIZEN BANQUET

SEA COAST ECHO
The Rotary Club of Pass Christian along with Pass Christian Main Street will hold the annual Outstanding Citizen Banquet next Wednesday, January 17th at the Pass Christian Yacht Club. Cocktails at 6pm, dinner to begin about 6:30pm. Dinner is \$25.00 per person with choice of entree - Pork Tenderloin De Laronde or Burbon Glazed Salmon Filet - tea or coffee, salad and desert. For reservations, please call (228) 452-3315.

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Arrest Record

Editor's note: The following is a list of arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice Facility from the past week. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, only a record an arrest has been made.

STAFF REPORT

Keyona A Acker, 35, simple assault causing bodily injury, petit larceny
William Thomas Bailey,

31, contempt of court/failure to appear
Edward O. Ball, 48, controlled substance, illegal felony possession of controlled substance
Gerald B. Banks, 55, DUI 4th/child endangerment, eluding law officer, leaving scene of an accident involving injury
Ashley R. Bougere, 34, assault -- simple, aggravated, domestic
Andrew J. Breun, 20, shoplifting
Mary Darlene Brown, 48, DUI first
Darian A. Busby, 41, driving with suspended or

revoked license
Nicholas J. Champagne, 29, back for court/hold for other agency
Crystal M. Chappetta, 41, probation violation
Chelsea M. Courvell, 29, controlled substance -- to sell, barter, transfer, manufacture, distribute
Ron Deniro Daniels, 29, compulsory school attendance, DUI first, contempt of court, driving while license or driving privilege canceled, speeding
Takyia M. Dedeaux, 18, controlled substance: possession of marijuana (1-30 grams), contributing to

delinquency/neglect of a child
Christopher A. Eakins, 30, controlled substance: possession of paraphernalia, illegal felony possession of controlled substance, possession of a weapon by felon
Valorie D. Eakins, 45, illegal felony possession of controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia
Amanda M. Fahy, 28, probation violation
Toney Lee Floyd, 62, contempt of court/failure to appear
Bret D. Foreman, 44, contempt of court: violation

of protective order
Charles W. Galvin, 42, contempt of court/failure to appear x 3
Amber C. Harmon, 28, controlled substance/possession of paraphernalia, illegal felony possession
Vincent L. Herrera, 32, receiving stolen property
Damon Jay Hosty, 31, controlled substance: illegal felony possession; contempt of court/failure to appear; no drivers license; reckless driving; speeding; no child restraints x 2
Marilyn Monroe Humphrey, 21, controlled substance: illegal felony

possession
Jamerson John, 31, contempt of court/failure to appear
Joshua C. Kipker, 33, contempt of court/failure to appear
Brian John Knight, 50, simple assault
Jeremy Charles Landry, 27, assault: simple domestic violence, simple assault
Vincent J. LeBlanc, 63, trespassing, probation violation.
Johnathan D. Ledesma, 27, controlled substance -- to sale; sale of controlled substance

Martin Luther King, Jr. celebrations in Hancock County

SEA COAST ECHO

Martin Luther King Day commemorates the birthday of American civil rights leader Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and celebrates his life, achievements and legacy.

King was hugely influential in the American Civil Rights Movement (despite never holding public office) and was a major advocate of non-violent activism in the struggle for the end of racial discrimination under US law. He was assassinated in 1968.

This federal holiday in King's honor was created in

1983, during the presidency of Ronald Reagan, and first observed in January 1986.

Hancock County Citizens will celebrate the life of Dr. King beginning Friday Jan. 12, 2018 – Jan. 15, 2018.

Theme: MLK 50 Forward Together We Win With Love For Humanity

Activities:
Jan. 12, 2018 - Prayer Breakfast, Mount Chapel Baptist Church, 721 Herlihy Street, Waveland, MS 8 - 10:00 a.m.

Jan. 13, 2018 – Youth Program, First Baptist Church 5202 Hancock St. Pearlinton, noon.

Jan. 14, 2018 – Fireworks Show, Powerhouse of Deliverance Church, MLK Park Washington Street, 6:00 – 7:00

Movie Selma to teach about the history of the Civil Rights Movement, First Missionary Baptist Church, Bay St. Louis. 7 – 8:30 pm

Jan. 15, 2018 – No Drop Ride-Bay Rollers will ride from Waveland Park to MLK Park in Bay St. Louis from 7 – 8 a.m.

10 a.m. MLK Parade, Hancock Branch of the NAACP, MLK Park, 400 blk. Of Washington to Saint Rose De Lima, 301

South Necaise, Bay St. Louis, MS

11 a.m. Service in honor of Dr. Martin L. King, Guest Speaker Representative for The State of Mississippi Sonya Williams- Barnes, District 119 and a member of the House since 2011. County wide mass choir with Mr. Bailey Hinton

Immediately following program: Health Fair, Costal Family Health Center, Saint Rose De Lima (vendors welcome) 12:30 – 4 p.m.

1 – 6 p.m. Annual Sickle Cell Blood Drive, Knights of Peter Claver, Saint Rose De Lima.

For more information on Community Choir under the direction of Mr. Bailey Hinton, and for Events and Booths, please call 228-323-0370

Sponsors: Saint Rose

De Lima, Men of God (Community Wake-up) First Missionary Baptist Church, NAACP, Powerhouse of Deliverance, Costal Family Health Center.

Hancock Chamber to host community discussion on the Mathematics of Sustainable Urban Development

SEA COAST ECHO

The Hancock Chamber Greenways and Scenic Byways Committee invites members of the community to join them on Friday, January 19, 2018 at 8:30 am at the Waveland Library Gex-Gould Meeting Room, 335 Coleman Avenue.

This community conversation on

Smart Communities will feature: R. John Anderson from Tolar/Anderson/Kim to discuss Dollars per Acre: the Mathematics of Sustainable Urban Development. Don't let the "M word" (math) scare you away – this will be a lively discussion of what parts of the city generates more revenue than expense (or what we might call profit) and what

parts of the city generate more expense than revenue (loss). What kinds of urban development have the best return on investment? What does this type of analysis tell us about smart long-term community development? For more information contact the Hancock Chamber of 228-467-9048.

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE PINES TO HOST AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS

SEA COAST ECHO

The Lutheran Church of the Pines at 309 Highway 90 in Waveland will host an AARP Driver Safety Class on Thursday, February 1 from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM for anyone holding a valid Mississippi Drivers License. The class will be in the church Fellowship Hall.

This refresher class is geared to seniors (although ANYONE can benefit from the information), and driv-

ers 55 and older may qualify for a three-year auto liability insurance discount upon completion.

There is no actual driving involved, and no test is required to complete the course.

The fee is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members and will be collected upon arrival at the class. The fee must be paid by check or money order payable to AARP and be prepared in advance before coming to the class.

NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED.

All participants are required to bring their driver's license, and AARP members must have their membership cards. A ballpoint pen and a highlighter are needed.

Classes fill up quickly.

To register and get specific class information, call John Carver as early as possible at 985-373-7314 to assure a place in the class.

ROTARY CLUB CHILI COOK-OFF SCHEDULED FOR JAN. 25

SEA COAST ECHO

The Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis is looking for teams for its annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser, scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 25, from 5-8 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Community Hall, 301 Blaize Ave.

The event will be co-sponsored by the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

The team entry fee of \$75 includes four tickets to the event for your chili team. Additional tickets are available for \$10 each.

There will be first-, second- and third-place awards in several categories, including "5 Alarm Hot & Spicy," "Best Presentation/Decoration," and "people's Choice."

All proceeds from the event will benefit the club's literacy, international and

local projects.

All paper products and spoons will be provided for cooking teams, as well as tables and chairs. Beverages will be available for purchase. Teams need to bring their own extension cords.

To enter a team, you can download a form from the club's Facebook page or e-mail ashleymayley@coastepa.com. Please make checks payable to Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis and mail with completed form to P.O. Box 2523, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

For more information, go to www.rotarybayst-louis.com; call Dave Tuminello at 228-861-7132 or Dave Mayley at 228-380-0755; or email dracquetball40@aol.com or davemayley@aol.com.

Jimmie Ladner, Jr. Hancock County Tax Assessor / Collector Homestead Exemption Applications Accepted

Homestead exemption applications will be accepted from January 2, 2018 through March 30, 2018, office located at 854 Highway 90 Suite C., Applications must be filed in the Bay St. Louis office of Hancock County Tax Assessor between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

You must be living in your home on or before **January 1, 2018** to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

The following information is needed to file your application.

- Warranty deed
- Cost of property
- Down payment amount
- License plate numbers for vehicles registered in Hancock County. **(All vehicles owned must be registered in Hancock County.)**
- If you are age 65 or older, proof of age is required.
- If you are receiving 100% disability benefits, proof of your disability is required
- Is any part of the property rented

You must re-file your homestead exemption application if

- You became 65 on or before January 1, 2018
- You became 100% disabled service connected veteran on or before January 1, 2018
- You acquired a new residence
- You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead.
- Your marital status changed (divorced, widowed, separated, etc.)

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REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

by **Fr. Jerome
Ledoux, SVD**

HAVE opioids ENTERED YOUR LIFE?

The pain medicine Tramadol was prescribed for me recently, to be taken every six hours or according to my need, to suppress the pain attendant to two ribs cracked when I stumbled on a marble threshold after Mass at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Nursing home. Several red flags shot up immediately in my mind. First of all, my having used less than a dozen pain pills in my whole life hints at my innate distrust and disdain for painkillers. That distrust grows as I read more about them.

Unfortunately, painkillers are direly needed by multimillions of victims of severe physical accidents and illnesses such as ruptured or herniated discs, surgery on a blocked carotid artery, cancer excised from a kidney or elsewhere, medication for a 30-percent or more blockage on each side of one's heart, autoimmune diseases like fibromyalgia rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, systemic lupus, celiac disease, advanced cancer, as well as chronic migraine headaches.

I checked on Tramadol and found that, of all others, The most dangerous drug in the world is the surprising title given to Tramadol. Can you imagine a prescription medication that relieves pain just as well as narcotics like Oxycontin but isn't addictive? Sadly, that was too good to be true. For years, that was the case with Tramadol, the synthetic opioid drug released in 1995 under the brand name Ultram to great expectations, seemingly offering all the benefits of more powerful, more addictive drugs, but with fewer of the downsides of dependency?—at least in clinical trials. This was apparently in part because trials examined Tramadol use by injection, but it is manufactured?—and far more potent?—in pill form.

The thinking was that, if the drug was unlikely to make people dependent, it was not likely to be abused, unlike other opioid alternatives like Vicodin (also known as Norco), Percocet, let alone be as dangerous as high-potency opioid medications like Morphine, OxyContin, Dilaudid, or Fentanyl.

Therefore, for many years, Tramadol was widely prescribed by doctors as a "safer" alternative to narcotics for pain. The difference between narcotics and opioids is subtle, but opioids are natural or synthetically-made drugs that function metabolically in the body like opium derivatives extracted from the poppy, while narcotics is more often used as a legal term, classifying drugs, like cocaine and other non-opiates that blur the senses and produce euphoria. Unlike other opioid drugs, believing that it had a low potential for abuse, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) did not classify Tramadol as a controlled substance, a scheduled drug.

Because of the FDA's non-action, Tramadol became a particularly dangerous drug, because it was, in fact, highly addictive and prone to abuse. Because it was easier to obtain and of fewer concerns to physicians, it

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SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION FROM THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE

On January 2, 2018, the 132nd Mississippi State Legislature began the third session in its four-year term.

Four new members joined the House of Representatives this past year as a result of special elections. Stacey Wilkes, R-Picayune; Missy McGee, R-Hattiesburg; Cheikh Taylor, D-Starkville and Kevin Ford, R-Vicksburg joined the roster of representatives for the 2018 Legislative Session.

Though it is early in the session, there were a couple of bills passed through committees and introduced on the House floor. All of the bills discussed dealt with the maintenance and repair of roads and bridges, a topic which will likely be heavily discussed this session.

One measure introduced was House Bill 354, which aims to set aside any state

GUEST OPINION

by **Rep. Carolyn Crawford**

revenue growth of more than two percent for the repair and reconstruction of state, county and municipal roads and bridges. This measure passed by a vote of 118-2. Another was House Bill 357, legislation that would authorize the issuance of \$50 million in bonds to cities and counties for bridge improvements. This passed by a vote of 116-4.

Finally, House Bill 359 would prohibit the construction of any new roads that have not already acquired right-of-way. Supporters of the bill say

this will help the state maintain the roads it already has before starting any new projects. Those opposed say this could stall economic development. The bill passed by a vote of 71-42. All three bills were held on a motion to reconsider, which means they will be brought up again in the future.

The Speaker also announced new chairmanships of several House Committees:

Education Chairman: Richard Bennett (District 120, Long Beach)

Gaming Chairman:

Casey Eure (District 116, Saucier)

Interstate Cooperation Chairman: Tracy Arnold (District 3, Booneville)

Marine Resources Chairman: Timmy Ladner (District 93, Poplarville)

Ports Harbors and Airports Chairman: Jeff Guice (District 114, Ocean Springs)

State Libraries: Greg Haney (District 118, Gulfport)

Since the last legislative session, Mississippi celebrated its 200th year of statehood with the opening of the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum and Mississippi History Museum in downtown Jackson. Renovations to the Capitol are also wrapping up with the start of the New Year. Visitors are welcome to come to the Capitol City to visit their legislators and witness the legislative process.



Forests: Mississippi's renewable resource

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Trees create oxygen so we can breathe and provide shade to keep us cool. Every spring and autumn, they also brighten our world with color.

From the newspaper we read each day or the desk we use at work or the firewood we burn in the winter or the tree we climb to bowhunt, we are surrounded by forests and their products. Some are more obvious than others, such as music boxes, bookcases, chairs, cabinets and porch swings. Others are less conspicuous because they



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by **James L. Cummins,**
Wildlife Mississippi

come from wood byproducts, including shatterproof glass, cosmetics and even medicines.

We use dozens of products that do come from trees. For example, cellulose—a major component of cell walls in trees—turns up in products such as paper, insulation, carpeting, ice cream, shampoo, and yes, even ethanol and synthetic gasoline and jet fuel. Chewing gum comes from the latex liquid of sapodilla trees, while pencil erasers are from the latex of rubber trees. Tree bark is used to make cork boards and gar-

den mulch.

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The average American uses 18 cubic feet of wood and 749 pounds of paper—equal to a 100-foot tree with an 18-inch trunk—each year. We eat the many fruits and nuts produced by trees. We burn wood for heat and also use it to build our homes. Paper (made from trees) is used to make the books and

magazines we read, boxes, napkins, envelopes and even movie tickets and shipping containers.

Today, the foresters that manage our country's forests recognize that trees are a valuable, renewable resource and that it is in the best interest of each of us to conserve them. The idea of sustainable forestry means trying to keep things in balance—when trees are cut down to make products; new trees are planted or are naturally regenerated.

Unlike energy derived from solar and wind, trees are the South's greatest source of renewable energy. It is imperative that we take advantage of them as federal mandates for renewable energy are placed on our state. They are extremely cost-effective and the technology exists to produce a variety of fuels from them.

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BWSD discuss drainage issues at preschool building

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Bay-Waveland School District Board of Trustees on Monday discussed potential problems with the building that houses the Early Education Center at 105 Tiffany St. in Waveland, which is managed by the Hancock County Human Resource Agency.

During his construction update, Jon Stolarski and BWSD Business Administrator Jon McCraw told the board about a recent report from the health department.

"The department of health is on us, as a district, to deal with the drainage and water issues that's there at the school," McCraw said. "As it rains, water is standing in their play facility and the area around."

McCraw said another issue is that the tile on the floor in the building is coming loose. McCraw said that Stolarski determined that is being caused by the water standing underneath the building.

"Water does not drain out from underneath the building," Stolarski said. "Aside from structural issues, you've got a potential black mold issue in every single square foot of that building."

Board Trustee Mike Bell said that one suggestion discussed was that if the EEC is going to continue to operate out of the district's building, then they (HCHRA) needs to make the repairs.

"I don't see why the district should continue to bear the responsibility of maintenance and providing a facility," Bell said.

According to the current contract with HCHRA, McCraw said, the district pays HCHRA \$1,700 a month and HCHRA pays BWSD back about \$31,000 a year.

McCraw said the district does maintain the building and all utilities.

BWSD Superintendent Vikki Landry said the district, which serves children from infant age to four years old, turned the school over to HCHRA because "we cannot as a school district make a profit."

McCraw said the facility can serve up to 60 students.

Stolarski said it would cost the district about \$500,000 to \$750,000 to address the drainage issues and damaged floor and floor tiles.

The board approved a motion to authorize McCraw, Landry and board attorney Ronnie Artigues to negotiate a new agreement with the EEC and that it would bear the costs of maintenance and

operation of the building. Artigues said that he would also look at other options to bring back to the board.

Board trustee Mark Kidd said he would also like to know how bad the damage is at the building.

"Since it is our facility and we actually have to close it down until we find a cure," Kidd said. "Because the last thing we would need to have is a black mold or something growing."

The board also revisited the city of Bay St. Louis' request for the general public's use of the district's tennis courts. BWSD Athletic Director Vernon Powell said the district has a process in place for people to request use of any of the facilities.

Powell said one of his concerns is that the new courts are concrete-based with a synthetic material on top. Powell said that skateboards and bikes would "cut into that material."

Powell said that repairs are completed by a company in Brandon, MS. However, they won't just come for one facility, the company would require multiple jobs in the area to make the trip, Powell added.

"I do want our facilities to be used," he said. "But I think it has to be a partnership, not just all sitting on

our shoulders as far as any time of use."

Powell said there have been instances where the locks to the courts have been cut.

"It is a beautiful facility and the reason I ask for the city to be involved with it, too, is that anytime you open to the general public, there is vandalism that does occur," Powell said. "And I do not want strictly for that to fall on our shoulders alone. I think it needs to be a shared partnership."

The board tabled the matter and Artigues said the city expressed a willingness to discuss the matter further.

The board also discussed "Saturday Seat Time."

Landry said that up until last year, "there were no teeth in our attendance policy."

"Now with seat time, if you don't come to school on time or aren't there when you're supposed to be, then you lose credit, you have to come on Saturday and earn your credits," Landry said. "So you can either show up on time at school or you can show up on Saturday."

Landry said that attendance at the high school has improved.

Bell said one of his concerns was the cost to the district, which is \$50 per Saturday for up to 10 Saturdays.

However, the district may not require all 10 Saturdays because of the increase in attendance, Bell said.

Landry said the measure is to convince students that they don't want to come to

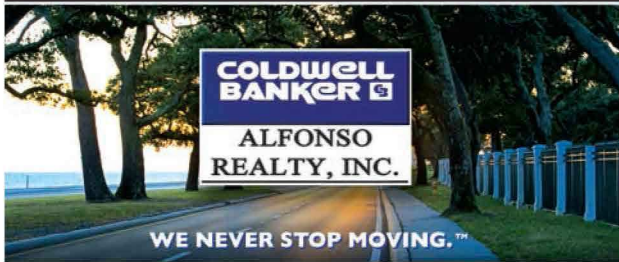
school on Saturdays. When students come during the school week, the district gets average daily attendance credit, she said.

The board approved the measure as part of Monday's consent agenda.



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Opioids

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was more widely prescribed.

Tramadol can cause respiratory distress and death when taken in high doses or when combined with other substances, especially alcohol.

My prescription of Tramadol – other brands are Ultram and ConZip – came to me shortly after the hot news warning that opioid usage has become a countrywide, lethal epidemic with overdose rates consistently increasing, coupled with the rate of physicians overprescribing those same opioids. Four Arizona doctors prescribed

6,000 opioid pills in the year 2017. Reckless prescribing of opioids is a great part of the problem that is sweeping the nation at an alarming rate. Of course, overprescribing sundry varieties of opioids keeps the individuals coming back for more, only causing their addictive problems to spin out of control. One person reported receiving 90 50 MG tramadol by mail order, and was very confused since the doctor never mentioned that he was adding or changing anything.

Needless to say, I immediately dumped my Tramadol pills into the trash. It is distressing to read further that Tramadol is among the mildest of opioids, frequently causing opposite reactions from person to person, addictive

to some but not others.

Opioids are substances that act on opioid receptors in our brain and body to produce morphine-like effects. Medically, they are primarily used for pain relief, including anesthesia. An exhaustive list of opioids from A to Z boggles one's mind with the troubling figure of several hundred. Only the letter Y has no opioids listed.

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), notes, among the estimated more than 64,000 drug overdose deaths in 2016, the sharpest increase was deaths related to fentanyl and fentanyl analogs (synthetic opioids) with over 20,000 overdose deaths. Worldwide, there are between 26.4 to 36 million opioid abusers.

Join the Krewe of CASA for Mardi Gras Gala on Jan. 13

SEA COAST ECHO
On Saturday, Jan. 13, CASA of Hancock County will hold their annual Krewe of CASA Mardi Gras Gala at the Bay St. Louis Community Center, 301 Blaize Avenue, Bay St. Louis.

This year's theme is "Unmasking Our Children's Potential" and guests are encouraged to wear their favorite mask to the event. CASA will also sell masks at the door.

The evening includes dinner prepared by Jimmie Ladner and the CASA Cooks along with New Orleans' own "Got Groove" providing the entertainment.

More than 100 silent auction items will be up for bid, including a piece of

property in Pass Christian, a Tag Heuer watch donated by Pav & Broome and a four-bedroom cabin stay in Pigeon Forge.

Keeping with the masquerade theme, Hancock County foster children hand-painted wooden masks that will be displayed at the event and sold to guests.

CASA's king and queen will reign over the evening's festivities.

The 2018 King is Hancock County native, business owner and CASA Cook John Zimmerman. His queen is Joy Richardson.

Joy has served as a CASA advocate with the program for over two years and is a retired educator. This is CASA's seventh

year holding this event and it has become the organization's signature fundraiser.

"What a great combination...Mardi Gras fun coupled with supporting a local nonprofit that works hard to ensure that abused and neglected children have a voice during the court process," Cynthia Chauvin, CASA's executive director, said.

There are still a small number of tables available for purchase. Tables accommodate eight people and start at \$600. General admission tickets can be purchased for \$40 at the CASA office, 412 Highway 90, Suite 3, Bay St. Louis.

For more information on the Krewe of CASA Gala, please call 228.344.0419.

Education Expo in the Bay

SEA COAST ECHO
Mississippi State University's College of Education and Center for Distance Education will host an Education Expo Tuesday, January 30th at the Butter Cup Café- 112 N 2nd Street, Bay St. Louis, MS. Beginning at 3:00 p.m. and lasting until 7:00 p.m., the events will include program representatives from the College as well as from the Center for

Distance Education.

Geared toward recruitment, the expo is serving as an effort to expand program outreach for community college transfers and non-traditional students who may be interested in MSU from the area. Showcases will be available for additional information pertaining to undergraduate, online and graduate degree programs.

The event is free to the

public and will feature door prizes. Dog bone cookies will be available to the first 100 participants.

For more information about the event, contact College of Education recruiting coordinator Amy Prisock via email at ahp3@colled.msstate.edu, or by phone at (662)-325-8824. MSU is Mississippi's leading university, available online at www.msstate.edu.

NOTICE OF JOINT PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE LOCAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE HANCOCK COUNTY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY AND HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Take notice that the Hancock County Board of Supervisors and the Hancock County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority ("Authority") are proposing a modification to its local solid waste management plan (the Plan) to permit an expansion of the existing Boudin Class II rubbish facility and to allow an upgrade of that site, including the expansion area, to a Class I rubbish facility. Boudin's Environmental Services, LLC, is requesting the modification ("Boudin"). Boudin's mailing address is 9294 Harbour Drive, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. Boudin's offices are at that same location. The existing Class II facility is located on Rifle Range Road, Section: 34 TS: 8S Range: 15W. Latitude: 30 degrees, 18', 28.8"; Longitude, 89 degrees, 29', 19." A map depicting the location of this site is included with the proposed modification to the Plan. The property is the same property designated as Parcel No. 128-0-34-003.001. Assuming the expansion is permitted, the Facility will also include the 80 acres immediately to the north of the existing Facility, consisting of Parcel No. 128-0-34-004.000, and Parcel No. 128-0-34-004.001 (Map 128), each parcel consisting of 40 acres, according to the records of the Tax Assessor of Hancock County, Mississippi.

The existing facility consists of 80 total acres with a 40 acre portion permitted for disposal of Class II rubbish. The expansion would be contiguous to the existing landfill (on the north side of the existing site) on approximately 80 acres of additional property, which are part of the total 160 contiguous acres owned by Boudin at that location. If the requested modification is approved, and if the expansion and upgrade are permitted by the Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board, the total disposal area will be 51.83 acres, all of which will be available for the disposal of Class I rubbish.

The current owner and permitted operator of the facility is Boudin's Environmental Services, LLC. Robert J. Boudin, Jr., president of Boudin, owns the property on which the facility is located. The owner, operator, and president are expected to remain the same for any allowed expansion and upgrade to Class I status. The proposed service area for the facility's planned upgrade and expansion consists of the geographic area within a 150 mile radius of the boundaries of the facility. That service area is the same as the service area for the existing Boudin Class II facility.

Documents relating to the proposed modification are available for inspection and review by the public at Compton Engineering, Inc. 3036 Longfellow Drive, in Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 telephone, 228-467-2770. Those documents include: a copy of the applicant request form used by Boudin to request the modification; the applicant's demonstration of need for the modification; the Authority's preliminary determination of need for the modification; the existing Solid Waste Management Plan for the Authority; modified pages of the Plan (i. e., the pages that will replace existing pages of the Plan if the modification is ultimately approved); and a copy of this Public Notice.

A hearing and public comment period concerning the Plan will be held at the times, dates, and places stated below.

30 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Written comments concerning the proposed modification may be made a part of the public record in this matter if presented in writing during a thirty (30) day comment period beginning January 10, 2018, and ending February 12, 2018. Written comments and/or requests for additional information concerning the proposed modification should be addressed to Compton Engineering, Inc. 3036 Longfellow Drive, in Bay St. Louis, MS 39520; telephone, 228-467-2770.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comments concerning the proposed modification will be held at 4:30 o'clock p. m. on February 12, 2018, in the Bay St. Louis Conference Center, 595 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Each person attending the public hearing will be given an opportunity to comment. Oral comments should be as brief as reasonably possible. Written comments may be presented at the hearing, as well.

All comments made at the public hearing or presented during the 30 day public comment period will be made a part of the administrative record in this matter and considered by the Authority.

Comments not offered at a hearing, in order to be made a part of the administrative record, must be presented in writing during a thirty (30) day comment period described above.

The Authority may amend the proposed modification based upon public comments received.

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Obituaries

NEAL BURNS
JAMES LOTT CUEVAS, JR.
EARL "PEE WEE" WILTON LADNER

NEAL BURNS

Neal Burns, 82, of Waveland died peacefully at home on January 7, 2018. The cause of death was Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

Norman "Neal" Burns was born May 15th, 1935 in Oklahoma City, Ok to James Norman and Lorena Davis Burns. Neal went to so many schools he lost count, as the family followed his father, a skilled sheet metal worker around the country. When the family moved to Murray, KY in Neal's junior year of high school, he decided to stay, and lived with the high school principal's family so he could graduate from Murray High.

After High School, Neal was a member of the Oklahoma National Guard, and then served four years in the United States Army. While he was in the Army, he met the love of his life, Margaret "Mickey" Beyer of Bay St. Louis on a transcontinental flight. They married on April 19th, 1958 at Our Lady of the Gulf Roman Catholic Church. Neal graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a BS in Business Administration. He was a salesman and account executive for General Mills, working for the company his entire career.

Neal and Mickey retired to Bay St. Louis, and then to Waveland in the home they built together. Neal was a Boy Scout Troop Scoutmaster, and church volunteer everywhere he lived. He loved to cut the grass at the St. Augustine Seminary and at Our Lady of the Gulf. He was also a volunteer and member of the Bay Waveland Yacht Club.

Neal was preceded in death by wife Mickey in 2001, his parents, and his brother and sister in law Pete and Betty Benvenuti.

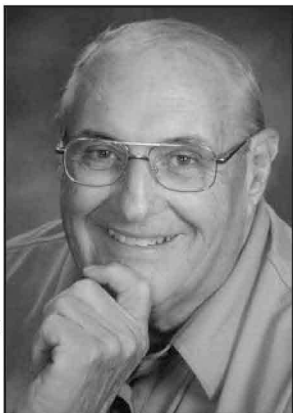
Neal is survived by his son Pat Burns,

daughter in law Robin, and granddaughter Abigail of Bellville, TX; daughter Molly Burns and Tim Sanderlin of Waveland and his sister Jerrie Talaugon of Santa Maria, CA. He is also

survived by nephews and nieces: Peter and Lise Benvenuti of Oakland, CA, Chuck Benvenuti, Stephen and Chelise Benvenuti, Mike and Mary Ann Benvenuti of Bay St. Louis, Mary Kay Benvenuti and Jerry Wicks of Waveland, Patrick Benvenuti of Bay St. Louis, MaryBeth Benvenuti of Walnut Creek, CA, Ned and Kitsy Benvenuti of Bay St. Louis, Keith Nicks of Jorden, MN, Gary Nicks of Rocklin, CA, Cindy Hardy of Paso Robles, CA and Tonya Williams of Orcutt, CA, as well as a large number of grandnieces, grandnephews and a generous circle of friends.

A Celebration of Life Mass will be held at St. Augustine Seminary in Bay St. Louis on Monday, January 15th at 11 a.m. Memorial contributions can be sent to Divine Word Missionaries, 1835 Waukegan Rd, Techny, IL, 60082.

Arrangements are under the direction of Picayune Funeral Home. Please visit our website for the obituary. You can leave an online condolence or share photos and memories. www.picayunefuneral.com



JAMES LOTT CUEVAS, JR.

Funeral Services for James Lott Cuevas, Jr. age 96, of Catahoula Community, MS, who passed away Friday, January 5, 2018, will be held Saturday, January 13, 2018, at 1:00 pm at McDonald Funeral Home Chapel.

Visitation will be Saturday, January 13, 2018 from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm at McDonald Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Alphonse Malley Cemetery under the direction of McDonald Funeral Home.

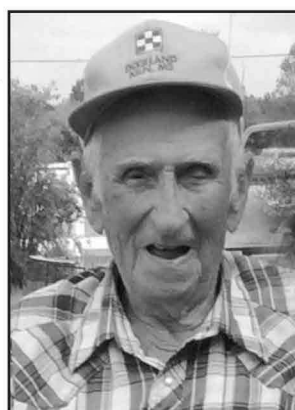
A native of Hancock County, MS, he was a retired Maintenance Man and Farmer. James was a member of Annunciation Catholic Church. He was a loving father, Papa, brother, uncle, and friend, who will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Lott Cuevas, Sr. and Ida Lou Hoda Cuevas; his wife of 50 years, Luvy Necaice Cuevas; his grandson, Donald Moran, Jr.; his grandson-in-law, John Denius; and his sisters and brothers, Gladys Cuevas, an infant brother and sis-

ter, Aurilla Davis, Tony Cuevas, Alton Cuevas, Rance Cuevas, Aristilde Cuevas; and Lois Wall.

Left to cherish his memory are his daughters, Gaynell (Donald) Moran and Janie Lou (Jerry) Lee; his granddaughter-in-law, Tammy Moran; 2 grandchildren, Angela Moran and Rachel Denius; 6 great grandchildren; 7 great great grandchildren; his sisters, Dorothy Ladner and Ruthie Nobles; several nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great great nieces and nephews.

Obituary, Register Book, and Driving Directions can be found on the internet page, at www.mcdonaldfh.com



EARL "PEE WEE" WILTON LADNER

Earl "Pee Wee" Wilton Ladner, 87 of Waveland passed away on Saturday, January 6, 2018 in Gulfport, MS. He was a lifelong resident of Waveland and a Veteran having served in the U.S. Army during Korea. Pee Wee was a Mason since 1980 and former master of Bay St. Louis Lodge. He was also an avid fisherman. He was a loving father, brother, grandfather, great-grandfather and will be sadly missed by all.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Janet Dorn



Ladner, parents, Charleston & Elizabeth Ladner, 2 sisters, Catherine Mauffray, Marion Perniciaro and brother, Vernon Ladner.

He is survived by 2 daughters, Paula Fayard &

Kenny of Gulfport, MS, Mary Ladner of Greensboro, AL, 2 grandchildren, Shawn Fayard & Amanda of Purvis, MS, Shannon Cuevas & Darin of Pass Christian, MS, great-grandchildren, Reagan Cuevas, Raelyn Cuevas, step-great-grandchildren, Hannah Cuevas and Branson Cuevas. brother, Charleston Ladner of Waveland, MS, 2 sisters, Anita Dorn of Waveland, MS, Ruth Ellen Ladner of Waveland, numerous nieces and nephews and Special friend, John "Bubby" Erskine.

Mississippi Organ Recovery Agency scholarship application now open

Scholarships will go to students who support organ, eye and tissue donation

Flowood, MS – Mississippi Organ Recovery Agency (MORA) has announced that the agency's 2018 scholarship application process is now open. For the fourth straight year, MORA will present \$6,500 in scholarships in May to high school seniors who understand the need for organ, eye and tissue donation in Mississippi and across the country.

Eleven \$500 scholarships will be awarded in the spring, as well as a \$1,000 Gift of Life scholarship, that will go to the top student applicant.

After a record number of applicants (265) from a record number of high schools (94) in 2017, MORA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Kevin Stump, expects the list of applicants to be even

higher this year. "We have seen interest in donation rise among young people through the recent years," said Stump, who is in his 24th year as the agency's CEO. "We feel this is because either a young person has been touched by donation through a personal experience or that they are becoming educated about the need of the lifesaving gifts of donation," Stump added.

Seniors applying for the MORA scholarships must meet certain criteria. First, they must be a graduating senior from an accredited Mississippi high school. Those seniors must also must have been accepted by a community college or university in Mississippi, or have intentions of 2018 fall enrollment. They must also have a grade point average of 2.5 or above, include two letters of rec-

ommendation one from a teacher and one from an adult of the student's choice and include an essay of 300 to a maximum of 750 words about their connection to donation, why they are registered donors or the importance of encouraging others to be donors.

For more information concerning these scholarships, you can contact Susan Bonds, Community Outreach Coordinator, via email at sbonds@msora.org or by phone at 662-841-1960.

Applications must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than Wednesday, February 14, 2018 to:

Susan Bonds
 Mississippi Organ Recovery Agency
 Midtown Pointe
 499 Gloster Creek, Suite F1
 Tupelo, MS 38801

New Krewe wants you!

The first annual Krewe of Real People The Next Generation Mardi Gras Parade is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 13, in Bay St. Louis.

It will begin at 1 p.m. on Booker Street and end on Necaice Street. Lineup will begin at 11 a.m. to begin the registration process. There will be a \$25 registration fee for all participants.

If you have any questions regarding the parade, please contact Lonnie Bradley, president, at 228-671-1039; Leo Hawkins, Jr., vice-president, at 228-261-8483; or Deven Daniels, public relations, at 228-342-7639.

The family would like to express a special thank you to Charles & Patrice Crawford, Amedisys Home Health, Brittney Cuevas: Kare-In-Home Hospice.

The visitation is 10:00 am until 12:00 noon at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS with a service at noon. Entombment will follow in Waveland Cemetery in Waveland, MS.

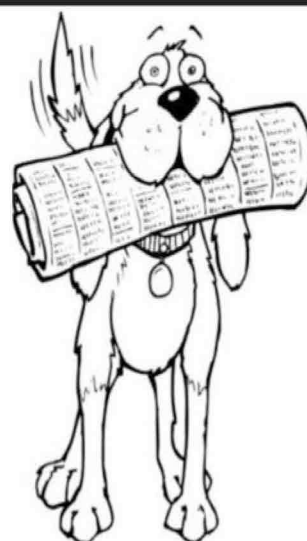
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Carnival

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test, food and fun.

This year's royalty includes Penne and Bill Rappold's lab Queen Hope and Sparkie Spell's schnauzer King ZippySnit. Rhonda Weidner from WLOX will be the emcee and Mayor Tommy Schaefer will toast the king and queen.

The Rappolds sent out a royal proclamation from Queen Hope that "her Royal Highness intends to make this day memorable in history," that "all shelter residents will be gotten loving homes" and that "all who hear these words shall have a good time."

Proceeds from the Krewe of Pupseidon parade will benefit Gulf Coast-area shelters, includ-

ing the Hancock County Animal Shelter.

To pre-register, you can visit the Pupseidon Facebook page or contact Kathy Wilkinson at 228-326-4804.

The Krewe of Pupseidon is a fund of the Hancock Community Development Foundation and is a 501©3 public charity.

There are several local parades scheduled this year, including the following:

Saturday, Jan. 27
 • The 9th annual Krewe of Legacy parade begins at 1 p.m. in Pass Christian.

Saturday, Feb. 3
 • The Krewe of Kids parade begins at 11 a.m. in front of Dunbar Village on Dunbar Avenue in Bay St. Louis.

Sunday, Feb. 4
 • The 51st annual

Krewe of Nereids Mardi Gras parade begins at noon in Bay St. Louis/Waveland.

Saturday, Feb. 10
 • Krewe of Diamondhead parade begins at noon.

Sunday, Feb. 11
 • The St. Paul Carnival Assoc. parade begins at noon in Pass Christian.

Monday, Feb. 12
 • The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse parade begins at 5 p.m. in downtown Bay St. Louis.

Fat Tuesday, Feb. 13
 • The Krewe of Real People: The Next Generation parade begins at 1 p.m. in downtown Bay St. Louis.

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SURVIVES SOUTH PLAQUEMINE ON HARDWOOD

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws survived an upset bid by South Plaquemine on the hardwood at the Brother Peter Memorial Gymnasium on Friday, January 5th.

The Rocks (7-12, 1-2) held on for 58-49 victory after falling behind 12-7 in the first and being down 23-19 at intermission.

The Rocks opened the third

period on a 10-0 run to take the lead 29-23 and did not look back. Brandon Bordelon scored six points during the run.

SSC held a 36-32 lead heading into the final frame.

SSC head coach Aaron Dunklin commented, "We got down 12-2 early and we did not quit. We showed resolve and did not quit and got back in the game. However, when we did get up, we did not finish strong. We have to focus down this stretch to help position ourselves within

the division. I like how we battled back tonight and did not give up."

The Rocks were led by Bordelon with 20 points followed by Luke Ladner with 12 points.

South Plaquemine was paced by Daron Powell with 21 points followed by Truce Williams with 10 points.

In other action on January 5th Bay High (7-9, 4-0) fell to d'Iberville 51-46 while Traylon Lewis led Bay High with 16

points. Pass Christian (3-10, 2-2) won their game with Vancleave 52-40 and lost their game with Petal 85-48 on Saturday but game details were not available.

In girls action, the Bay High Lady Tigers (2-13, 0-3) dropped their game with d'Iberville 48-29.

The Pass Christian Lady Pirates (13-6, 2-0) defeated Vancleave on Friday 73-35 and Petal 48-40 on Saturday.

Hancock (14-4, 0-2) defeated Forrest County AHS 29-15 on Saturday. The OLA Crescents (2-

9, 0-0) defeated Resurrection 38-26 on Monday.

In upcoming action, the Bay High Tigers travel to Vancleave on Friday, January 12th while Hancock is set to host Harrison Central High School on Tuesday, January 16th.

The Crescents are set to host Perry Central on Friday and the Rocks will travel to Moss Point on Friday.

See you at the games!

FORMER STANISLAUS COACH NAMED TO LEAD ECCC WOMEN'S SOCCER PROGRAM

SEA COAST ECHO

Ryan Joiner, whose teams have won three Mississippi High School Athletics Association state championships in the past four seasons, is the new head women's soccer coach at East Central Community College in Decatur.

Joiner, of Ocean Springs, guided the St. Stanislaus College boys' team to MHSAA Class 4A State Championships in 2013-14, 2014-15, and 2015-16. He currently is the head girls' soccer coach at Ocean Springs High School, where his 2016-17 team finished state runner-up in Class 6A.

The move from high school to the collegiate level has long been a dream of mine, and the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges and ECCC offer that opportunity," Joiner said. "The quality of soccer currently being played in the MACJC and the community where ECCC is located are definitely positives that will help the Lady Warriors continue to build upon their recent success. The foundation that has been laid by my predecessor has given me a tremendous start for the 2018 season, and beyond.

"I am thankful for my last two years at Ocean Springs High School and all of the people I have encountered, but I'm looking forward to the future of being a Warrior each day."

Joiner replaces Gray Massey, who coached the East Central women the past five seasons and

recently became the first women's soccer coach at Mississippi University for Women in Columbus.

Massey led the Lady Warriors to postseason play three straight seasons—2014 to 2016—and compiled a 47-26-7 record.

The 2016 ECCC squad opened the season with nine straight wins—the longest winning streak since the program began in 2005—and advanced to the MACJC playoffs after finishing second in the MACJC North Division. The 12 wins in 2016 also tied a school record for the women's team.

"Gray Massey did a great job during his coaching tenure at East Central," said ECCC President Dr. Billy Stewart. "He took our women's soccer program to new heights and did it the EC Way—Excellence with Class.

We're now very fortunate to have a coach the caliber of Ryan Joiner join our staff who has a proven record of success. I am confident that he will continue to move our women's soccer program forward and will help us meet the academic and athletic goals we have for our team and student-athletes. We are happy to have him and his wife, Kylie, as the newest members of the Warrior family."

Joiner was a standout goalkeeper for Ocean Springs High School before taking his talents to Meridian Community College.

While at MCC, Joiner twice earned MACJC First Team All State and



Ryan Joiner

National Junior College Athletic Association All South Region 23 as a goalkeeper. He was an Honorable Mention NJCAA All-American in 2006.

Joiner returned to MCC in 2011 as assistant men's soccer coach, recruiting coordinator, practice coordinator, and camp instructor.

He took over the St. Stanislaus College boys' soccer program in 2013, compiling a 57-15-3 record and three straight state championships. He was named the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Small/Private School Mississippi Coach of the Year following the 2014, 2015, and 2016 seasons, as well as the Sun Herald (Biloxi) Coach of the Year all three seasons. He was The Clarion-Ledger (Jackson) Coach of the Year in 2013-14. St. Stanislaus is a Catholic day and boarding school for boys in Bay St. Louis.

Joiner returned to his alma mater Ocean Springs High School in 2016, where he guided the girls' program to a 2016-17 state runner-up finish. The 2017-18 Lady

Greyhounds are 10-6-1 overall and 3-0 in district play.

He also coaches for the Gulf Coast United Futbol Club based in Gulfport.

Joiner received his bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies and master's degree in teaching community college education from Mississippi State University. He holds a United States Soccer Association "B" License, National Soccer Coaches Association of America National Diploma, and Level III Goalkeeper Certificate.

Joiner said his first priority at East Central is to solidify the 2018 women's soccer team.

"There are several returning players and several who have already committed from the class of 2018," Joiner said. "The late signing period will be upon us fast and I have to get out on the fields and connect with players to finish the signing class. I have already begun contacting current players, verbal commits, and coaches throughout the state combing for the best players to fit the model of EC Soccer: Excellence with Class."

Joiner said that the ECCC women's soccer players and fans can expect possession soccer, with a lot of movement of players on the pitch from his teams.

"My coaching style is very player-centric; meaning that I enjoy teaching the game and giving players new concepts to take on each day," explained Joiner. "Our style will be possession-based with lots of movement and interchanging of positions in the run of the play. We will be a high-pressing team and will look for very fit and athletic players who can both play with the ball at their feet and who have the desire to win back possession as soon as it is lost."

ECCC's third head women's soccer coach said that a solid foundation has been laid for the program, and all the elements are in place to win championships.

"Our expectations are to compete for championships each year," noted Joiner. "We have the resources, facilities, academics, and support of the college to compete each year for state championships and NJCAA Region 23 titles. Our players are going to be very involved in the community and will be ambassadors for ECCC at all times. The players are students first and athletes second, and we will conduct ourselves on and off the field with pride, dedication, and class."

ECCC Athletics Director Chris Harris said that he was pleased to have Ryan Joiner as a part of the coaching staff at East Central.

"Ryan has experienced tremendous success during his high school coaching career and brings a wealth of knowledge and a statewide recruiting network to our women's soccer program," said Harris.

Joiner will officially begin his duties at ECCC on June 1, 2018. He is married to the former Kylie Rowell of Meridian.

AREA SOCCER ACTION HEATING BACK UP

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The area high school soccer action is beginning to heat back up after the holiday break.

The Bay High Tigers (5-5-3, 1-2) defeated Pascagoula 3-1 on Friday and Long Beach 2-1 last Wednesday.

The Hancock Hawks (7-7-1, 1-2) defeated West Jones 1-0 and St. Martin 5-1 on Saturday.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws (10-3-1, 4-0) defeated Hancock 4-0 on December 21st on the last game before the break. Goals were scored by Parker Slade, Beau Rimmer, Charlie DeMetz and Austin Schruff.

In girls action, the Bay High Lady Tigers (9-5-2, 1-1) defeated St. Martin 1-0 on Saturday, lost to Madison Central 1-0 on Saturday, defeated Pascagoula 4-0 on Friday and lost to Long Beach last Wednesday 3-1.

The Hancock Lady Hawks (6-4-1, 0-3) lost to George County 2-0 on Saturday.

The Pass Christian Lady Pirates (10-4, 2-0) lost to Clinton 3-0 on Saturday and defeated East Central 2-1 on Saturday on goals from Madison LaFontaine and Kamdyn Skinner.

OLA (3-6-3, 0-1) lost to Clinton 1-0 and Pearl 1-0 on Saturday.

In upcoming action, the Bay High Tigers will travel to Moss Point on Thursday, January 11th. The Hancock Hawks travel to Long Beach on Friday, January 12th. The OLA Crescents will host Resurrection on Friday and St. Stanislaus travels to Resurrection on Saturday. See you at the games!

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SECOND SATURDAY

‘DOLLY SHOULD’ ENJOY OLD TOWN JANUARY ARTWALK

BY DENISE K. JACOBS

The Old Town Merchants Association (OTMA) and its members invite you to experience the Second Saturday Art Walk on January 13. Also known as Second Saturday, the event has become a regional favorite and regularly draws visitors from New Orleans to Biloxi. In December, shoppers will enjoy Snowflakes in the Bay and holiday anticipation in the air.

This month’s Second Saturday celebration includes the annual “Dolly Should” event honoring legendary entertainer Dolly Parton on her birthday. The Dolly Should celebration was the brainchild of Smith & Lens owners Ann Madden and Sandy Maggio. Festivities include a Dolly look-alike contest. Those who want to participate can register at Smith & Lens from 5-7 p.m. Registration is \$10. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Parton’s “Imagination Station,” which provides free books for children.

Each month during Second Saturday, two OTMA members are featured as Hot Spots, and the Hancock County Historical Society and Carroll House Bed & Breakfast have this month’s honors. Between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m., visitors can stop by the Hot Spots and other shops for refreshments and live music. Bring the kids! Pass a good time.

Hancock County Historical Society

Like many Bay St. Louis residents, it was love at first sight for Charles Harry Gray, the director of the Hancock County Historical Society. The year was 1984. The event was the Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge. Mr. Gray had driven in his Rolls Royce from New Orleans to the Bay to observe. Within a week, Charles Harry Gray had purchased his first home in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

Not long afterward, Mr. Gray attended a meeting of the Hancock County Historical Society, became a member, and was made vice president on the very day he joined. This was before the Loblano house was bestowed to the Historical Society at a time when Historical Society members held their meetings at local restaurants. Charles Harry Gray knew all about restaurants, as he had operated Corinne Dunbar’s restaurant in the grand parlor of her home on St. Charles Avenue. At Corinne Dunbar’s, guests were treated as if they were dinner guests at a party in her home. I suspect that those who visit the Hancock County Historical Society experience a similar sense of welcome.

The Society is headquartered in the Kate Loblano House, described on the Historical Society’s website, <http://www.hancockcountyhistoricalsociety.com>, as “a delightful 1896 shotgun cottage that was donated to the society in 1988 by the grandchildren of Katherine Maynard Loblano.” The original house (108 Cue Street) is used as a turn-of-the-century museum while an addition to the rear of the house provides office and storage



The Hancock County Historical Society, one of this month’s Hot Spots, wants to share your family photos and biographical information. You can bring a one-page bio between 4 and 8 p.m. Saturday.



Carroll House Bed & Breakfast is one of this month’s Hot Spots. The house is a short stroll to the heart of Old Town and beaches. In addition to overnight or long-term stays, Carroll House is an elegant setting for an intimate wedding and/or baby and wedding showers, as well.

space. Depending on the day of week, guests will find either Charles Gray or Eddie Coleman, newsletter editor and staff person, manning the operation along with one of the Society’s officers or a community volunteer.

Membership in the Hancock County Historical Society is 1,000 strong, and membership is nationwide. In fact, Gray marvels that a contingent of out-of-state members commit to

ways as a guest or travel center for those who want to know what to see and do while in the area. At its heart, however, the Historical Society collects, preserves, and maintains a collection of documents, photographs, memorabilia, and artifacts designed to help future generations understand their heritage.

As a private institution with no state funding, the Hancock Historical Society relies entirely on charitable

contributions and memberships and is only as strong as its community involvement. To that end, the Historical Society has a standing invitation to anyone who has lived in Hancock County to share their family histories. If you bring in photographs, Society volunteers will copy and file them in color-coded binders labeled Waveland, County, People, Tony Scafidi, Hurricanes, Cemeteries, Registered

Trees, Bay St. Louis Houses, and so on. The photos will also be scanned and saved online to the Cloud. The Hancock County Historical Society is only as good as its community participation.

Call for Information

As any survivor of a natural disaster can tell you, few things are as important as preserving personal artifacts, memorabilia, and stories. With that in mind, the Hancock County Historical Society invites those whose loved ones have lived in Hancock County to complete a one-page bio sketch of a deceased loved one or family member with roots in Hancock County.

It would be appreciated if you would follow the suggested template. Label and attach a photograph, and include your contact information. All original photographs will be returned to you.

A word to the wise: Don’t let the “Story/Anecdote” section intimidate you. Your story might be a paragraph long and focus on a family holiday, a childhood memory, a rite of passage, a military experience, an encounter with nature, a sports triumph, a religious awakening, or a professional accolade.

Bring those one-page bio sketches with you to the Second Saturday Open House on January 13, 2018, between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Your name will be entered in a drawing for a copy of The First 300 Years. In addition, your bio sketch will be featured in one of the monthly newsletters.

Carroll House

For Jane Kulpeksa (formerly Alford), owning a bed & breakfast was a long-held dream. When the

big house on Carroll Avenue, an historic seaside home in the heart of Old Town, became available after Katrina, Jane, who lived around the corner on Toulme at the time, bought the house. She also bought a camper trailer, which she lived in while making renovations on the Carroll House. It was a bed & breakfast in the making.

About a year and a half later, the house was livable, and Jane moved in. However, she continued making renovations, including the addition of two bathrooms. Then, in 2011, Carroll House Bed & Breakfast opened its doors. Jane notes that the house was one of only a few accommodations open in Old Town at the time, so she developed a loyal customer base from the beginning.

The house is a short stroll to the heart of Old Town and beaches. In addition to overnight or long-term stays, Carroll House is an elegant setting for an intimate wedding and/or baby and wedding showers, as well. Be sure to check out the Carroll House online for a gallery of photos.

Guests can enjoy an early morning cup of coffee on the private porch as the birds serenade them, or join other guests in the parlor for friendly conversation.

Most often, guests gather to eat breakfast together, a traditional bed & breakfast element that Jane holds dear. Sometimes guests even congregate in the kitchen to chat as breakfast is prepared. It’s that kind of place.

Jane cooks with the vegetables she grows in her garden, and she serves and sells lemon, satsuma, and kumquat marmalades made from the fruit trees grown around the house. “It’s a beautiful home with a comfortable atmosphere,” Kulpeksa explains, and “people tell us that they feel at home here.”

Originally from Louisiana, Jane has lived in Bay St. Louis for 21 years. She attributes the success of Carroll House to her capable, loyal, and trustworthy staff—a bit of a challenge to find in the early years but entrenched now—and to her involvement with the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

According to Jane, repeat customers turned friends have made her bed & breakfast a dream-come-true. In fact, Jane is gratified to report that many of her previous guests are now permanent residents of the Bay. “They come here and fall in love with the area,” she says. “I like to think we here at Carroll House had something to do with that.”



Gallery 220 at 220 Main St. in Bay St. Louis will feature all of its artists for this month’s Second Saturday event, and welcomes everyone to come enjoy the art and delicious homemade chili.

months of volunteer service onsite while vacationing in the Bay area.

In the pre-Katrina years, visitors traveled to Hancock County regularly via tour bus often to visit the 728 Bay St. Louis houses on the National Registry. The tour buses are no longer running, and the Hancock County Historical Society functions in many

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"The Graduate" OPENS SOON AT BAY ST. LOUIS LITTLE THEATRE

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The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will start the new year with the iconic production "The Graduate" written for the stage by Terry Johnson from a screenplay by Buck Henry and Calder Washington and a novel by Charles Webb. The history making movie starred Dustin Hoffman and Anne Bancroft. The movie was nominated for six Academy Awards includ-

ing Best Picture and Best Lead Actor, and Best Lead Actress. The director, Mike Nichols, won the Oscar for Best Director.

The "Graduate" was a major box office hit. It became well-known as a romantic comedy motion picture starring Dustin Hoffman and Anne Bancroft. It is the story of 21 year old Benjamin, a recent college graduate with no well-defined aim in life, who is seduced by

an older woman, Mrs. Robinson, then falls in love with her daughter.

The show is directed by Gary Taylor, assisted by Marie Ballantyne, and produced by Cheryl Grace. The cast includes Norman Boyd, Cheryl Grace, Shannon Wooten, Clayton Pennylegion, Anita Lynn, Jim Fraiser, Irv Hansen, Terry Cullen, Melissa Kelton, Genie Talbert, Jen Coulter, Jeremiah Wright, and Gloria Noonan. Jerry

Scott will do set design. Set construction is by Dean Noel. The stage manager is Maggie Marquez-Wooten.

The show dates and times are January 19, 20, 26, and 27 at 8pm and January 21 and 28 at 2pm. Doors open one hour before the show and seating starts 30 minutes before each show.

Tickets for the show can be purchased online at www.bsllt.org or purchased at Lulu's at 126

Main Street or Twin Light Creations at 136 Main Street. Ticket fees are \$18 adults, \$10 Seniors 65+, veterans, military, and students with ID, and \$8 for children 12 and under. Seat reservations can be made by calling 228-467-9024 or email the Little Theatre. Reservations for seats must

be made for all ticket holders including season ticket holders to be able to accommodate the show's audiences.

The Little Theatre website www.bsllt.org has more information and pictures of "The Graduate" cast and production rehearsals.



Actors in rehearsal for the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre's upcoming show "The Graduate." From left, Shannon Wooten, Jim Fraiser, Cheryl Grace, Anita Lynn, Clayton Pennylegion, Norman Boyd.

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TOMMY JAMES & THE SHONDELLS, ANN WILSON OF HEART -AT THE IP

SEA COAST ECHO

Tommy James & The Shondells will perform their classic rock hits at Studio A at IP Casino Resort Spa on Friday, Jan. 12. Formed in the late 1950's, Tommy James & The Shondells enjoyed great success during the late 1960's with the No. 1 hits "Hanky Panky" and "Crimson and Clover."

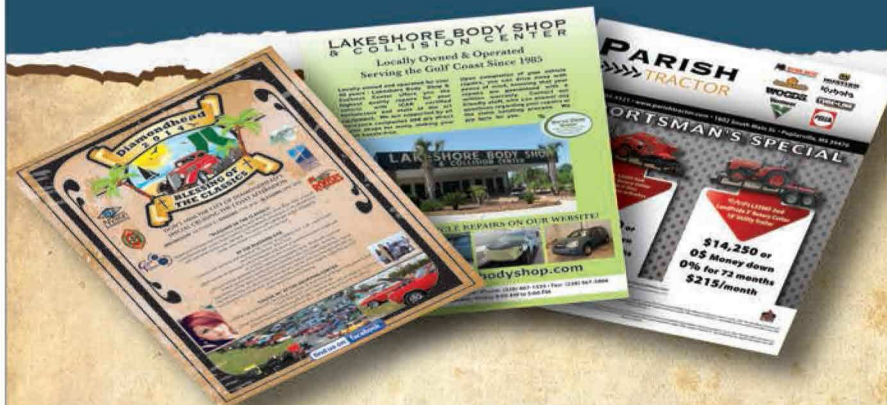
Showtime is 8 p.m. Doors open one hour prior to the show. Tickets start at \$25 plus tax and convenience fees.

Ann Wilson of Heart will bring her best-loved hits to Studio A at IP Casino Resort Spa on Saturday, Jan. 13. Wilson began her musical career as the lead singer of the rock group, Heart, which is best known for its heavy metal and hard rock

sounds, heard in their timeless hits "Crazy on You," "Magic Man," "Barracuda," "Straight On" and more. Showtime is 8 p.m. Doors open one hour prior to the show. Tickets start at \$39 plus tax and convenience fees.

Tickets for both shows are available online at www.ipbiloxi.com and www.ticketmaster.com. Tickets can also be purchased at the IP Box Office or at the Ticketmaster kiosk located on property. Guests may call Ticketmaster at (800) 653-8000. Advanced purchase tickets must be picked up at the Box Office on the day of the show starting at 1 p.m. Guests must be 21 or older to attend the show. No refunds or exchanges will be permitted.

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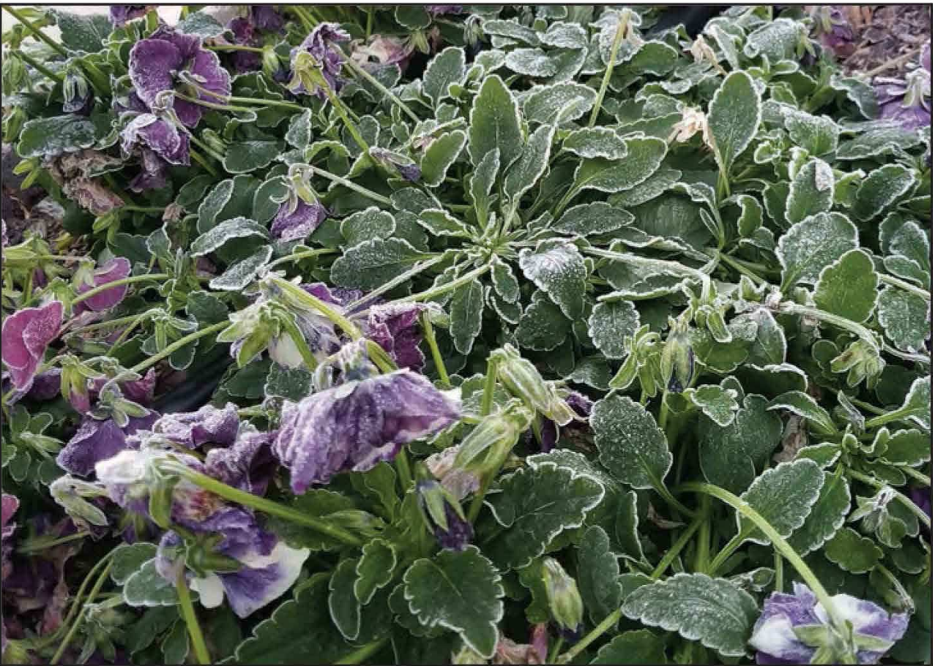


Photo by MSU Extension/Gary Bachman

Although these Cool Wave pansies were covered in ice, they perked up when temperatures rose, proving them to be cold-tolerant landscape selections.

BY DR. GARY R. BACHMAN
MSU EXTENSION SERVICE

What a crazy week we had to start off 2018 as “Freeze-mageddon” came blowing through with several nights of temperatures in the 20s or worse across the state.

I’ve been hearing and reading comments about the extreme cold we’re experiencing and how unusual it is. But to tell you the truth, these temperatures are not that unusual. While individual winters may be warmer or colder, they are only single data

points. Climate change takes tens, hundreds and even thousands of years to happen.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture produces the most reliable plant hardiness data and evaluates the annual extreme minimum temperatures over time. Look at the average minimum temperatures across these zones: 9a (Biloxi), 20 to 25 degrees; 8b (Hattiesburg), 15 to 20 degrees; 8a (Jackson), 10 to 15 degrees; and 7b (Tupelo), 5 to 10 degrees.

There’s no denying that it got cold, but the weather was not unusual. What was unusual was the duration of the freeze.

I’m like many of the gardeners I know, especially on the coast. I was watching the weather and found myself thinking we weren’t going have temperatures that low. Boy, was I wrong. So, there I was on December 31 trying to protect my garden and landscape in the cold drizzle.

I remembered to unhook my hose from the outside spigots, something I forgot last year and had my pipes freeze solid. Then I started moving my containers into the garage, which I first had to clean and make room. I even moved in my 25-gallon citrus containers. In previous

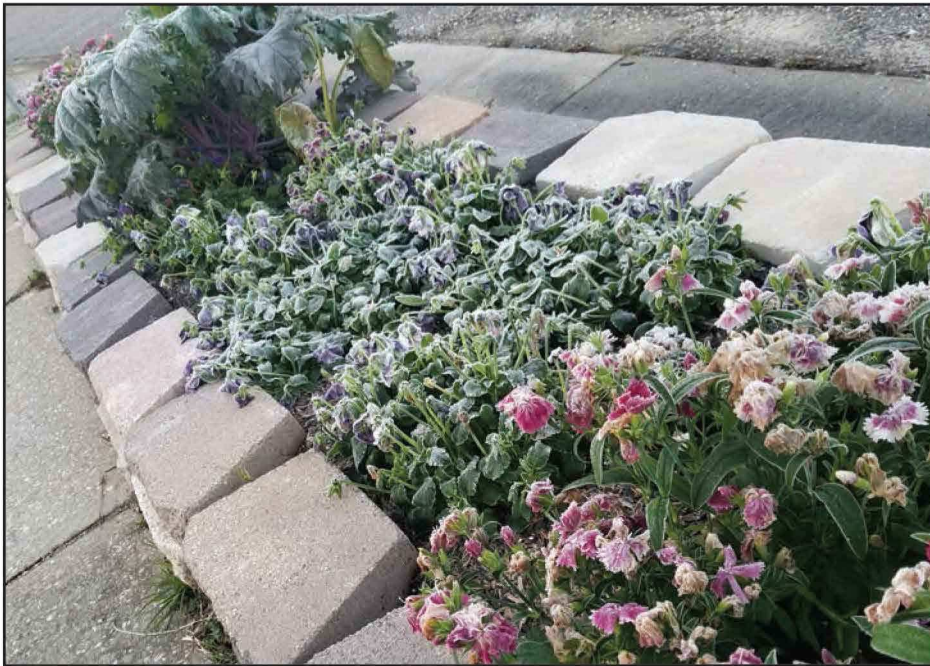


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Select plants suited for your landscape zone so they can bounce back from days and nights of cold weather.

years, I had decided against moving those 300-pound pots.

I moved containers until my hands hurt from the cold because everything I left outside had to fend for itself.

Select plants suited for your landscape zone so they can bounce back from days and nights of cold weather. (Photo by MSU Extension/Gary Bachman)

Now, as we warm up a little, gardeners will start to see if the cold damaged our plants.

The most apparent damage will be seen on tropical plants. Freezing temperatures turn to mush these plants we love to have in

the garden. Even if you covered the plants, temperatures in the lower 20s cause damage. Don’t remove any of the mushy foliage yet; it will help protect the crown of the plant, if it survived.

We will probably see some damage on woody landscape plants, but don’t jump the gun and start pruning them too soon. It is best to be patient and wait to assess winter damage when the plants start pushing out new spring growth.

Cool-season bedding plants can be a bit perplexing. In my case, I have Cool Wave pansies that have the reputation of

being very tolerant of the cold. Initially, they looked pretty pathetic at 24 degrees, but they perked up when the afternoon temperatures hit a balmy 39.

My Telstar dianthus and Storm Mix kale handled the temperatures like champs. I’m glad I choose these varieties every winter.

So, don’t panic. These winter temperatures are normal. Any plants lost because of the cold weather -- and remember that we lose plants every year -- just create an opportunity to try something new in the landscape.

UPCOMING JANUARY EVENTS AT HANCOCK LIBRARIES

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- Come hear secrets to having a healthy New Year East Hancock County Library – Wednesday, January 10 – 3 to 4:30 p.m. Kenny Guess, retired Health and Physical Education instructor, has been a wellness advocate for over 53 years. Through research and personal experience, he has gained important insights to help us stay fit and healthy as we age.

- Matinee in Bay Movie Bay St. Louis-Hancock

County Library - Thursday, January 11 - 2 p.m.

The Matinee in the Bay Movie this month is about Queen Victoria who strikes up an unlikely friendship with a young Indian clerk named Abdul Karim. Popcorn served.

- Pearlinton Afternoon Movie

Pearlington Public Library – Thursday, January 11 – 5 to 7 p.m.

The Pearlinton Afternoon movie is about two overly imaginative pranksters named George and Harold hypnotize their

principal into thinking he’s a ridiculously enthusiastic, incredibly dimwitted superhero named Captain Underpants. Popcorn served.

- Second Friday Book Club

Kiln Public Library – Friday, January 12 at 10 a.m.

The Second Friday Book Club will meet on Friday, January 12 at 10 a.m. at the Kiln Public Library. They will be discussing Camelot Games by Oliver Chase.

PRCC BASEBALL TO HOST KIDS HITTING CAMP IN JANUARY

BY STAN CALDWELL
PRCC SPORTS INFORMATION

POPLARVILLE – Pearl River Community College baseball will host a kids hitting camp in late January and early February.

The camp will allow young hitters ages 6-12 to develop proper mechanics from college coaches and players.

Campers will be divided into small age-appropriate groups and taught hitting drills, participate in multiple drill stations and get live reps in batting practice. These stations will take place on the PRCC baseball field and in the indoor batting cages.

It is scheduled for four Tuesday nights, beginning Jan. 23 and running through Feb. 13. Each camp runs about 90 minutes, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Cost is \$100 for early registration online and \$125 for walk-up registration on the first day of camp. There is a limit of 72 players. Campers need to bring cleats, tennis shoes, gloves, bats and helmet. Water and a camp shirt will be provided.

To register on-line or to print out a registration form, log-on to prccbbaseball-camps.com. For more information, contact assistant coach and camp coordinator Sam Roberson at (972) 310-8660 or at sam.roberson2308@yahoo.com.

MDMR Marine Information Calendars available coastwide

SEA COAST ECHO

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources’ 2018 Marine Information Calendars now are available at locations along the Coast.

The agency held a photo contest earlier this year, and those chosen are featured each month, as well as on photo pages in the back of the calendar.

“The response to our photo contest was great for the second year in a row,” said Melissa Scallan, Public Affairs director for MDMR. “We have many talented photographers in South Mississippi, and we are proud to feature their pictures of life on the Coast.”

The winners of the photo contest are: Cover, Caroline Shaw; January, Laura Thompson; February, Brandi Fountain; March, Vernon Steele; April, Cindy Lamb; May, Darrin Stewart; June, Chris Markham; July, Jimmy Baker; August, Jane Anne Sawyer; September, Grace Schloegel; October, Tim Lawton; November, John Mitchell; December, Sandra Huynh.

This year’s calendar features the offices and programs that MDMR administers to protect those coastal resources. The free

calendar also contains such information as tide data, sunrise and sunset times, moon phases, artificial reef coordinates, size and possession limits for fish, boating safety requirements and Mississippi saltwater fish records. The calendars will be available at the following locations while supplies last. Calendars also will be distributed to Coast bait shops.

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GULF COAST VA LEADERS WANT VETERAN FEEDBACK ON VA HEALTH CARE IN BILOXI

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Senior leadership in the Department of Veterans Affairs Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System has scheduled a Jan. 11 town hall event at 5 p.m. for veterans who receive health care services from the Biloxi VA Medical Center. The event will be held in the Biloxi VAMC Recreation Hall, Building 17. The Biloxi VAMC is located at 400 Veterans Ave. Representatives from the Biloxi National Cemetery and VA Regional Benefits Office in Jackson,

Miss., will also be available to answer veterans' questions about VA burial benefits, disability claims and more. GCVHCS town hall events are designed to be an open forum for veterans receiving health care services from VA.

The goal is to ensure veterans, their families, and beneficiaries have the opportunity to be heard and have their health care concerns addressed by senior GCVHCS officials and/or subject-matter expert(s).

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MSU EXTENSION HOSTS BLUEBERRY WORKSHOP

BY MR. ROBERT NATHAN GREGORY
MSU EXTENSION SERVICE

HATTIESBURG, Miss. -- An afternoon workshop will help Mississippi commercial blueberry growers brush up on the latest research and training related to their crop.

The Mississippi State University Extension Service is hosting the 2018 Mississippi Blueberry Education Workshop Jan. 23 at the Forrest County Extension office in Hattiesburg. Registration is at the door on the day of the event at 1 p.m. There is no cost for the workshop.

Although the workshop is not oriented toward hobby or home gardeners, blueberry growers of all skill levels are invited to attend and interact with professionals.

Topics for this year's workshop include disease sampling techniques, drought tolerance of rabbiteye blueberries, updates on spotted wing drosophila, the potential of unmanned aerial systems technology in agriculture and training required under the Food Safety Modernization Act.

Experts with the MSU Extension Service and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service will provide presentations. The itinerary is subject to change.

The workshop ends after an unmanned aerial systems demonstration at 4 p.m.

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